

Linear vs. nonlinear problems - Part I

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Linear vs. nonlinear





$$2x = 6 \qquad x^2 - 3x + 2 = 0 \qquad \ln(2\sin(x) + x^3) + 3x\cos(x) = 6$$

- Linear: unique solution
- Nonlinear: multiple solutions (or no solution!)

Linear vs. nonlinear





$$\mathsf{FEM:} \qquad K U = F \rightarrow \left[\begin{array}{cc} & \cdots \\ \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \end{array} \right] \left\{ \vdots \right\} = \left\{ \begin{array}{c} \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \vdots \\ \end{array} \right\}$$

- Linear: K = const.
- Nonlinear: K = K(U), $F = F(U) \rightarrow$ linearize \rightarrow iteratively solving linear systems

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Types of non-linearities

- Geometric nonlinearity
- Material nonlinearity
- Kinematic (constrain, contact) nonlinearity

Assumptions for linearity:

- Small strains
- Small displacements
- Small rotations
- Linear stress-strain relations
- Constant applied loads
- No contact conditions



How small? Rules of thumb:

- Strains < 5 %
- Displacements < half of the beam/plate thickness
- Small rotations < 5°

Magnitude of strains, displacements and rotations is not the only criterion:

- Buckling
- Membrane state during bending





Why not always performing analyses that include all kind of nonlinearities?

Advantages of linear analyses:

- analytical solutions are available for many linear problems (model validation)
- they facilitates better conceptual understanding of the problem
- procedures are prescribed by standards
- they are computationally fast and robust

Take advantage of computational simplicity of linear analyses when possible...

... but do not analyse nonlinear problems with linear analyses!

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[1] https://enterfea.com/nonlinear-fea-introduction/

[2] https://caendkoelsch.wordpress.com/2019/03/14/geometric-nonlinearity-what-does-it-mean-post-1-2/

[3] Abaqus manual, Simulia

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displacement \neq deformation

small (infinitesimal) strain:







Deformation gradient

$$F_{ij} = x_{i,j} = \frac{\partial x_i}{\partial X_j}$$

$$u_i = x_i - X_i \to x_i = X_i - u_i$$

$$F_{ij} = \delta_{i,j} + u_{i,j}$$
 ... $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{I} + \frac{\partial \mathbf{u}}{\partial \mathbf{X}}$

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{I} + \frac{\partial u}{\partial X}$$

$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{I} = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$
... rigid body displacement (translation)
$$\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{R} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\varphi) & -\sin(\varphi) \\ \sin(\varphi) & \cos(\varphi) \end{bmatrix}$$
... rigid body rotation
$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2}(u_{i,j} + u_{j,i}) \rightarrow \varepsilon = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{F} + \mathbf{F}^T) - \mathbf{I} = \begin{bmatrix} \cos(\varphi) - 1 & 0 \\ 0 & \cos(\varphi) - 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\varphi = 90^\circ \rightarrow \varepsilon_{xx} = \varepsilon_{yy} = -1$$

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 $\mathbf{F} = \mathbf{R} \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{V} \mathbf{R}$... polar decomposition

U ... right stretch tensor

V ... left stretch tensor



 $\mathbf{F}^{T} \mathbf{F} = (\mathbf{R} \mathbf{U})^{T} \mathbf{R} \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{U}^{T} \underbrace{\mathbf{R}^{T} \mathbf{R}}_{\mathbf{I}} \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{U}^{T} \mathbf{U} = \mathbf{C}$... right Cauchy–Green deformation tensor $\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{F} \mathbf{F}^{T} - \mathbf{I})$... Green-Lagrange strain tensor



Green-Lagrange strain

 $E_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left(u_{i,j} + u_{j,i} + u_{k,i} u_{k,j} \right)$

 $\mathbf{E} =$

small strain

$\frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{F} \mathbf{F}^T - \mathbf{I})$	$\boldsymbol{\varepsilon} = \frac{1}{2}(\mathbf{F} + \mathbf{F}^T) - \mathbf{I}$

$$\varepsilon_{ij} = \frac{1}{2} \left(u_{i,j} + u_{j,i} \right)$$

 $C = F^T F$... right Cauchy–Green deformation tensor $B = F F^T$... left Cauchy–Green deformation tensor $f = F^{-1} F^{-T}$... Finger deformation tensor $c = F^{-T} F^{-1}$... Cauchy deformation tensor

 $\mathbf{E} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{C} - \mathbf{I}) \qquad \dots \text{ Green-Lagrange strain tensor}$ $\mathbf{e} = \frac{1}{2} (\mathbf{I} - \mathbf{c}) \qquad \dots \text{ Almansi strain tensor}$ $\mathbf{E}_{Biot} = \mathbf{U} - \mathbf{I} \qquad \dots \text{ Biot strain tensor}$ $\mathbf{\varepsilon}_{true} = \ln (\mathbf{U}) \qquad \dots \text{ logarithmic (natural, true, Hencky)}$ strain tensor

Material nonlinearity

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Work conjugates

$$w = \int_{\Omega_0} \mathbf{\Pi} \, \dot{\mathbf{F}} \, d\Omega_0 = \int_{\Omega_0} \mathbf{S} \, \dot{\mathbf{E}} \, d\Omega_0 = \int_{\Omega} \, \boldsymbol{\sigma} \, \mathbf{D} \, d\Omega = \int_{\Omega_0} \boldsymbol{\tau} \, \mathbf{D} \, d\Omega_0$$

Π ... First Piola Kirchhoff stress tensor

$$\mathbf{D} = \frac{1}{2} (\dot{\mathbf{F}} \mathbf{F}^{-1} + \mathbf{F}^{-T} \dot{\mathbf{F}}) = \dot{\mathbf{\epsilon}}_{true} \quad \dots \text{ rate of deformation tensor}$$

- **S** ... Second Piola Kirchhoff stress tensor
- σ ... Cauchy (true) stress tensor
- **τ** ... Kirchhoff stress tensor

Material nonlinearity





- Linear: *Linear elasticity*
- Nonlinear: Nonlinear elasticity (hyperelasticity), elastoplasticity



Material nonlinearity



Linear elasticity, isotropic material (Hooke's model):

$$\sigma_{ij} = \frac{E}{(1+v)} \left(\varepsilon_{ij} + \frac{v}{(1-2v)} \varepsilon_{kk} \delta_{ij} \right)$$

Elastoplasticity and damage (Gurson-Tvergaard-Needleman's model): $\Phi = \frac{(\sigma_{eq})^2}{(\sigma_{eq})^2} + 2f q_1 Cosh\left(\frac{3q_2\sigma_H}{2\sigma_H}\right) - (1+q_3f^2)$ $\sigma_{eq} = a \Big(F_1 \big(\sigma_{22} - \sigma_{33} \big)^2 + G_1 \big(\sigma_{33} - \sigma_{11} \big)^2 + H_1 \big(\sigma_{11} - \sigma_{22} \big)^2 + 2 \big(L_1 \sigma_{12}^2 + M_1 \sigma_{13}^2 + N_1 \sigma_{23}^2 \big) \Big)^{\frac{1}{2}} + C_1 \big(\sigma_{11} - \sigma_{12} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(L_1 \sigma_{12}^2 + M_1 \sigma_{13}^2 + M_1 \sigma_{23}^2 \big)^{\frac{1}{2}} + C_2 \big(\sigma_{11} - \sigma_{12} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(L_1 \sigma_{12}^2 + M_1 \sigma_{13}^2 + M_1 \sigma_{23}^2 \big)^{\frac{1}{2}} + C_2 \big(\sigma_{11} - \sigma_{12} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(L_1 \sigma_{12}^2 + M_1 \sigma_{13}^2 + M_1 \sigma_{23}^2 \big)^{\frac{1}{2}} + C_2 \big(\sigma_{11} - \sigma_{12} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{12} - \sigma_{12} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{12} - \sigma_{13} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{13} - \sigma_{11} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{12} - \sigma_{12} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{12} - \sigma_{13} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{13} - \sigma_{11} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{12} - \sigma_{12} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{12} - \sigma_{12} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{13} - \sigma_{11} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{12} - \sigma_{12} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{12} - \sigma_{12} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{13} - \sigma_{11} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{13} - \sigma_{12} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{13} - \sigma_{13} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{13} - \sigma_{13} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{13} - \sigma_{12} \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{13} - \sigma_{13} \big)^2 + C_2 \big)^2 + C_2 \big(\sigma_{13} - \sigma_$ $\sqrt{2}(1-a)\left(F_{2}^{2}(\sigma_{22}-\sigma_{33})^{4}+G_{2}^{2}(\sigma_{33}-\sigma_{11})^{4}+H_{2}^{2}(\sigma_{11}-\sigma_{22})^{4}+2\left(L_{2}^{2}\sigma_{12}^{4}+M_{2}^{2}\sigma_{13}^{4}+N_{2}^{2}\sigma_{23}^{4}\right)\right)^{\frac{1}{4}}$ $df = (1 - f) d\varepsilon_{kk}^{p} + A_{n} d\overline{\varepsilon}_{m}^{p} ; d\varepsilon_{ij}^{p} = \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \sigma} d\lambda$ $\mathrm{d}\sigma_{ij} = C_{ijkl} \left(\mathrm{d}\varepsilon_{kl} - \frac{\partial \Phi}{\partial \sigma_{kl}} \mathrm{d}\lambda \right) ; \ \mathrm{d}\overline{\varepsilon}_{m}^{p} = \frac{\sigma_{ij} \,\mathrm{d}\varepsilon_{ij}^{p}}{(1-f)\,\sigma_{kl}}$ $\sigma_{ij} = C_{ijkl} \varepsilon_{kl}^{e} \quad ; \quad C_{ijkl} = C_{ijkl} \left(E_{11}, E_{22}, E_{33}, G_{12}, G_{13}, G_{23}, v_{12}, v_{13}, v_{23} \right)$ $\mathrm{d}\overline{\varepsilon}_{m}^{m} = \sigma_{ii}P_{iikl}\,\mathrm{d}\varepsilon_{kl}^{p}/(\sigma_{v}(1-f))$

Contact nonlinearity

Displacement dependent boundary conditions Hertz contact theory $F \propto \sqrt{d^3}$ ι δ_{max} Force Displacement Contact boundary [1] [2]

Contact nonlinearity

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